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Summer

in the City

Planning any trips this summer? Before you go, or after you get back from vacation, don't miss out on some of the fun right here in Detroit.

Inside you'll find information on some of the fabulous music, movies, recreational activities, and other events happening throughout Detroit this summer, along with important information about City services, valuable homeownership information, and vital summer safety tips.

So take a look, and keep it handy. With so much valuable information and new and exciting events on schedule for summer '07, it's like taking a mini-excursion in your own city!



Tons of exciting events for your summer of fun!

Summer's here!

Detroit Homeownership Education Workshops Planned for late June

Mayor Kwame M. Kilpatrick and Detroit Homeownership Preservation Enterprise (Detroit HOPE) partner once again to host two workshops to provide current homeowners and future homebuyers with information to make homeownership easier in the NEXT Detroit.

The first Detroit Neighborhood Homeownership Workshop is Tuesday, June 26 at Northwest Activities Center, 18100 Meyers, from 2-7 p.m. The second will take place on Thursday, June 28 at the Samaritan Center, 5555 Conner, from 2-7 p.m.

Counselors will be present to answer questions about financial and credit management, predatory lending, foreclosure prevention, home preservation, renter/landlord rights and responsibilities, taxes and insurance, and give tips for first-time homebuyers. Homes available for purchase in the city of Detroit will also be featured during these workshops. Each workshop is free and open to any resident. Refreshments will be served. There is no charge for parking, and there will be prize drawings.

On June 2, more than 500 individuals from across metro Detroit participated in the Detroit Homeownership Education Workshop that was hosted by Mayor Kilpatrick and Detroit HOPE at Wayne County Community College's downtown campus.

Mayor Kilpatrick's partnership with Detroit HOPE is part of his ongoing Dollar WiSe efforts designed to leverage partnerships with non-profit and private sector organizations to improve the financial literacy of Detroiters. Dollar WiSe is a U.S. Conference of Mayors financial literacy campaign that started in 2004 and is implemented by more than 100 mayors from across the country.



Detroit HOPE is a partnership of nonprofit housing organizations, mortgage lenders and law firms created in cooperation with the City of Detroit. This locally focused program, similar to those in Chicago, Dallas and Philadelphia, has developed several initiatives to address the growing number of residential foreclosures in the Detroit area. For more information about Detroit HOPE, please visit www.detroithope.org.

Become a Community Ambassador and Tell Others about City Government

The Mayor's Office has a new program designed to help Detroit residents learn how City government functions as well as provide details on the Mayor's initiatives.

The Community Ambassador Program (CAP) is a partnership with community members, churches, schools, organizations, and the Mayor's Office. Individuals selected to participate in CAP will educate and inform others about Mayor Kilpatrick's initiatives and promote pride in Detroit.

Community ambassadors complete their training through the Detroit Citizens' Academy, which is designed to help citizens learn about City government operations, gain insight on the infrastructure used to provide City services, and learn about Mayor Kilpatrick's vision for the Next Detroit. Upon completion of the program, participants will be able to share the information with friends, family, and their community.

For more information, call **(313) 628-4249** and leave your name and number. The Mayor's Office will keep the information on file and contact individuals in late July. The first class graduates in June.



One of the goals of my administration is to provide residents with important and practical information. This *Summer in the City* guide provides helpful information about various recreational programs and activities, safety tips, as well as fun and exciting events taking place in Detroit. I hope that you have a great summer and enjoy some of the many activities that Detroit has to offer!



Kwame M. Kilpatrick
Kwame M. Kilpatrick, Mayor
City of Detroit

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Mayor Kilpatrick Kicks Off NEXT Detroit Neighborhood Initiative with Six Rallies

Mayor Kwame M. Kilpatrick kicked off his NEXT Detroit Neighborhood Initiative (NDNI) with six community rallies in May. It began in Brightmoor with the razing of a dilapidated structure and ended in the Osborn neighborhood where hundreds of youth cheered at the announcement of a new recreation strategy for their community.

NDNI is a five-year strategy designed to improve basic quality of life issues such as cleanliness, safety and beautification by utilizing growth and development strategies in six city neighborhoods.

Over the past 15 months, more than 21 meetings were held with business, ecumenical and community leaders, and the demographic and socioeconomic data of each area was examined to prepare the work plans for each neighborhood.

In addition to the house razing and new recreation strategy, residents learned of plans to jump start economic development in the Grand River-Greenfield area, a new beautification strategy for the Northend community, plans to make the 7 Mile/Livernois community a "neighborhood of choice," and a new crime reduction strategy for East English Village.

The long-term goal of NDNI is to preserve and enhance every Detroit neighborhood, but the Kilpatrick administration has determined the most effective way to make significant change is one neighborhood at a time. The cost of implementing the initiative will be \$225 million over the next five years. The City will spend \$125 million of its own money and seek another \$100 million from corporate, non-profit and foundation partners.

David Bing, owner and president of the Bing Group, and Walter Watkins, the City's former Chief Development Officer, are co-chairs of the NEXT Detroit Neighborhood Initiative. Anika Goss-Foster, Director of Philanthropic Affairs for the Mayor's Office, and Mayor Kilpatrick's Chief of Staff Christine Beatty led the development of NDNI.

For more details on the individual work plans, go to City's Web site at www.ci.detroit.mi.us/HomePage/NextDetroit.htm



City Offers Downpayment Assistance

Summer is a big home buying season, so the City of Detroit encourages residents/prospective residents to take advantage of an important funding resource: The American Dream Downpayment Initiative.

The City of Detroit assists eligible low-income borrowers in purchasing homes utilizing funds from the American Dream Downpayment Assistance Initiative (ADDI). Down payment and closing costs assistance in the form of zero-interest, five-year forgivable loans is made available to homebuyers who purchase and reside in a home in Detroit. In addition, the City will set aside 10 percent of its ADDI allocation to address the needs of public housing residents and Section 8 tenants.

The ADDI Program is administered by the Detroit Planning & Development Department. To qualify:

- Purchaser must be a first-time homebuyer and at least 18 years old.
- The homebuyer's gross annual family income (all earnings and other benefits of all household adults) and the total income from household liquid assets must not exceed 80 percent of the area median family income.
- Homebuyer must occupy the property as a primary residence at least five years.

- Homebuyer is required to make one percent cash contributions from her/his own funds.
- Homebuyer must complete an approved homebuyer counseling course.

Downpayment assistance can be used when purchasing property that meets certain guidelines, including being located in Detroit and the property value not exceeding \$105,000 for existing properties and \$128,000 for new properties.

The property must be vacant, occupied by an existing seller, occupied by borrower with an option to purchase or occupied by an investor. Properties also must meet the City ordinance for inspections and federal standards.

For more information on the ADDI program, contact the City of Detroit's participating lenders.

PARTICIPATING LENDERS

Detroit Commerce Bank (313) 967-5156	LaSalle Bank (313) 234-8661
Flagstar Bank (866) 372-3597, Ext. 230	National City Bank (313) 596-8015
Fifth Third Bank (313) 566-2513	Towne Mortgage Company (248) 358-5550, Ext. 229
Barclay Mortgage Financial Services, LLC (248) 967-1400	Charter One Bank (313) 538-5000
	ShoreBank (313) 642-5200

Beautification Contest

The Mayor's Office is holding a Beautification Contest. Citizens and community groups are asked to adopt a lot, park or playfield between July and Sep-

tember and agree to maintain that area for two years. The City will award a prize to the individuals or group that have made the greatest improvement when the contest ends on September 4.

A prize will be awarded in each region of the city — east, west and central. All interested participants must submit an application. For more information, call (313) 628-4249.

Be Safe This Summer

Detroit Fire Department Issues Prohibitions Against Open Grill Fires

The Detroit Fire Department is warning Detroit residents and business owners that the City Fire Code prohibits the use of open burning devices such as gas or charcoal fired grills, or other similar devices for cooking or heating on any balcony, under any overhang or within ten feet of any structure.

The use of grills in these situations is an extreme fire hazard, which often results in the loss of life and property.

Don't Let the Sun or Heat Get the Best of You!

As the summer season settles in, be prepared to protect yourself from extreme heat. Here are some tips from the Detroit Department of Health and Wellness Promotion.

Tips for Preventing Heat-Related Illness

- Drink more fluids (nonalcoholic), regardless of your activity level. Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink.
- Don't drink liquids that contain caffeine, alcohol, or large amounts of sugar — these actually cause you to lose more body fluid. Also, avoid very cold drinks, because they can cause stomach cramps.
- Stay indoors, and if at all possible, stay in an air-conditioned place. If your home does not have air conditioning, go to the shopping mall, the public library or a cooling center.
- Electric fans may provide comfort, but when the temperature is in the high 90s, fans will not prevent heat-related illness. Taking a cool shower or bath, or moving to an air-conditioned place is a much better way to cool off.
- Wear lightweight, light-colored, loose-fitting clothing.
- Protect yourself from the sun by wearing a wide-brimmed, light-colored hat and sunglasses. Put on sunscreen with SPF 15 or higher.
- NEVER leave anyone in a closed, parked vehicle.
- Although anyone at any time can suffer from heat-related illness, some people are at greater risk than others. Check regularly on:
 - Infants and young children
 - Individuals aged 65 or older
 - Individuals who have a mental illness
 - Those who are physically ill, especially with heart disease or high blood pressure



- Visit individuals at risk at least twice a day and closely watch for signs of heat-related illness. Infants and young children, of course, need much more frequent watching.

SIGNS OF HEAT-RELATED ILLNESS include **headache, dizziness, nausea, heavy to no sweating, confusion and pale or flushed skin.**

To treat a person with heat-related illness:

- Move the person to a cool place.
- Give the person cool water to drink.
- Apply ice packs or cool, wet towels to the skin.
- If a person refuses water, vomits or loses consciousness, call 9-1-1 immediately.

CITY OF DETROIT COOLING LOCATIONS

When temperatures rise above 90 degrees, everyone is at risk. There are a number of locations across the city designated as cooling centers.

JOSEPH WALKER WILLIAMS CENTER
8432 Rosa Parks Blvd., (313) 628-2039

Summer Hours Start June 25

Monday - Friday, 6 a.m. - 8 p.m. • Saturday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

PATTON COMMUNITY CENTER
2301 Woodmere, (313) 628-2000

Summer Hours Start June 25

Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

DETROIT LIBRARY BRANCHES

Branches below open

Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday, Noon - 8 p.m.

- **Chase Branch** — 1731 W. Seven Mile Rd. (313) 578-8002
- **Conley Branch** — 4600 Martin, (313) 224-6461
- **Douglass Branch** — 3666 Grand River, (313) 833-9714
- **Elmwood Park Branch** — 550 Chene, (313) 877-8014
- **Franklin Branch** — 13651 E. McNichols (313) 852-4797
- **Sherwood Forest Branch** — 7117 W. Seven Mile (313) 578-7587

The three branches listed below are open

Monday & Wednesday, Noon - 8 p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

- **Campbell Branch** — 8733 W. Vernor, (313) 297-8404
- **Edison Branch** — 18400 Joy Road, (313) 852-4515
- **Redford Branch** — 21200 Grand River, (313) 578-8000

Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

- **Skillman Branch** — 121 Gratiot, (313) 628-2750

Please note that all of the above locations are closed on Fridays and open on Saturdays after Labor Day.

Tuesday & Wednesday, Noon - 8 p.m.
Thursday, Friday & Saturday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

- **Main Library** — 5201 Woodward, (313) 833-1000

Fire Safety Tips

The three leading causes of accidental fires in Detroit are careless smokers, children with matches/lighters and careless cooking. Therefore, please practice the following tips:

- Never smoke in bed.
- Keep matches/lighters out of the reach and sight of children.
- Never leave your children at home alone or unattended.
- Be careful while cooking.
- Never leave anything cooking on the stove unattended.
- Keep all items away from the stove that could catch fire (e.g. towels, clothing, and curtains).
- Install at least one smoke detector on every floor and one within 15 feet of each sleeping area in your home.
- Test your smoke detector batteries monthly and replace them at least once a year.
- Plan and practice fire escape routes and make sure that everyone knows two ways out of every room.
- Identify a place outside to meet in case of fire.
- Never re-enter a burning building. Once out, stay out!



Recreation

SUMMER BLAST! Recreation Department Offers Fun in the Sun in Detroit

The Detroit Recreation Department is gearing up for another fun-filled summer season that will include day camp, swimming pools, paddleboats, movies, music, and more on Belle Isle and at neighborhood recreation centers.

BELLE ISLE

Paddle Boat Rental at the Flynn Pavilion

Paddleboats will make their debut this summer at the Flynn Pavilion on Belle Isle. For only \$5 per person, you can enjoy a half-hour of paddling around Lake Takoma.

Belle Isle Waterslide

The ever-popular water slide opens Monday, June 11. The slide is open daily from noon - 8 p.m. The cost is \$3 all day.

Belle Isle Movies in the Park

Grab your popcorn and a blanket and head to the Belle Isle Bandshell to enjoy family-oriented movies. The movies are free to the public and are shown at dusk.

July 12 "Over the Hedge"
July 26 "Cars"

Ride the Giant Slide

Take a ride down the Giant Slide Monday-Friday, 3-9 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. The cost is \$1 a ride or 6 rides for \$5.

Start Your Engines

The Grand Prix returns to Belle Isle Aug. 31 - Sept. 2. The general public is invited to get an up close look at the race on Friday, Aug. 31, which is a free day!

TAKE A DIP

As the summer heats up, the Recreation Department has a number of locations to keep you cool.

Pools / Outdoor

Open June 25 from noon - 8 p.m. daily

Gatliff Pool – Palmer Park (Merrill Plaisance off Seven Mile near Woodward)

Brennan Pool – Rouge Park (Plymouth at Rouge Drive)

Peterson Playfield Water Spray – (Greenfield and Curtis)

Pools / Indoor

Adams Butzel Complex
Heilmann Recreation Center

Kemeny Recreation Center

Lipke Recreation Center
Patton Recreation Center
Williams Recreation Center

Young Recreation Center



JAYNE/LASKY
BASEBALL FAMILY
FUN CENTER

You can enjoy challenging recreation and sports for all ages at the Jayne/Lasky Baseball Family Fun Center, located at 13200 Fenelon, near Conant and Ryan. Visitors will be able to enjoy the 25-ft. tall rock climbing wall, nine-hole disc golf course, remote control race car track, 18-hole putt-putt golf course, six new basketball courts (two with adjustable rims for PeeWee), and two tennis courts. Nominal fees apply for some activities.

SUMMER
DAY CAMPS

The ever-popular Summer Day Camp Program will run from June 25 through August 17 at various recreation centers. Hundreds of area youth ages 6 to 12 will enjoy fishing, field trips, swimming, arts and crafts, athletics, and many other recreation activities. For registration information, contact your neighborhood recreation center.

ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

Theater Time

Calling all budding actors! Learn more about performing arts during Theater Time, a Detroit Recreation Department program in collaboration with Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts with support from The Skillman Foundation. The six-week program exposes youth ages 10 to 14 to musical theatre. During the six-week session, participants learn singing, dancing, acting, mime and comedy using Broadway musicals such as *42nd Street*, *Kiss Me Kate*, *West Side Story* and *Hairspray*.

Classes will take place at two locations: Roberto Clemente Recreation Center, 2631 Bagley, and Heilmann Recreation Center, 19601 Crusade. The sessions are Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning June 25. The times are 10 a.m. - noon at Clemente and from 1 - 3 p.m. at Heilmann.

Metro Youth Fitness
July 26 at Metro Beach
Sign up at your neighborhood Recreation Center.

TENNIS

Tennis anyone?

Detroit Recreation Department and Think Detroit PAL Tennis Program will provide tennis lessons for boys and girls ages 7-17. The eight-week session is \$55 and runs from June 25 - August 16. The lessons are Monday - Thursday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at four locations:

- **Farwell** — East Outer Dr. near Ryan
- **Palmer Park** — Woodward and 7 Mile
- **Stoepel Park #1** — Evergreen and Outer Drive
- **Rouge Park** — Plymouth and Burt Road

For more information, call (313) 852-4309.

BOXING

This junior boxing program is open to boys and girls ages 10-16.

The cost is \$15 per year for the instructional program. An additional \$35 per year is needed to register with U.S.A. Boxing, Inc.

SITES:

Adams Butzel Complex
10500 Lyndon

Young Recreation Center
2751 Robert Bradby Dr.

Crowell Recreation Center
16630 Lahser

Lasky Recreation Center
13200 Fenelon

Nubian Knights Youth Organization
10900 Charlevoix Suite #3

Registration takes place on site. For more information call Louis Mitchell at (313) 877-8864.

HISTORIC FORT WAYNE

Step back into the past at Historic Fort Wayne, built in 1845 as a strategic site during the Patriot War.

Along with its picturesque view of the Detroit River, Fort Wayne is a true historical site featuring Detroit's Old City Hall Bell, a Native American Indian burial mound, WWII arsenal memorabilia and "Officer's Row."

Come visit the National Tuskegee Army Museum, also located at Fort Wayne.

The Fort is open Monday through Friday by appointment only. On the weekends, the hours are:

Saturdays
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Sundays
11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Parking is \$5. Admission is \$3 per person, and guided tours with admission is \$7.

For more information, call (313) 224-4356. For rental information, call (313) 224-6385.



Recreation Centers

ADAMS/BUTZEL COMPLEX	
10500 Lyndon	(313) 628-0990
BUTZEL FAMILY CENTER	
7737 Kercheval	(313) 628-2100
CLEMENTE RECREATION CENTER	
2631 Bagley	(313) 224-0228
CROWELL RECREATION CENTER	
16630 Lahser	(313) 628-2047
FARWELL RECREATION CENTER	
2781 E. Outer Drive	(313) 628-2028
HEILMANN RECREATION CENTER	
19601 Crusade	(313) 224-9334
KEMENY RECREATION CENTER	
2260 S. Fort	(313) 628-0956
LASKY RECREATION CENTER	
13200 Fenelon	(313) 628-2030
LIPKE RECREATION CENTER	
19320 Van Dyke	(313) 628-2937
PATTON RECREATION CENTER	
2301 Woodmere	(313) 628-2001
WILLIAMS COMMUNITY CENTER	
8431 Rosa Parks Blvd	(313) 628-2039
YOUNG RECREATION CENTER	
2751 Robert Bradby Dr.	(313) 628-0995
SPECIAL NEEDS	
LENOX RECREATION CENTER	
100 Lenox	(313) 628-2036



ACTIVITIES FOR SENIORS

Senior Olympics

The Recreation Department has activities for all ages, including seniors. The department is looking for men and women age 50 & over to compete in this year's Senior Olympics scheduled for June 18-22.

The events include arts & crafts, baking, basketball, bounce volleyball, bowling, cycling, checkers, billiards, frisbee toss, golf, horseshoes, in-line skating, swimming, softball, table tennis, tennis, track and whist tournament. For more information, call (313) 877-8864.

Senior Friendship Day

Enjoy lunch, a variety show, vendors and more at Senior Friendship Day on July 17 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Chene Park Amphitheater. For more information call your local Senior Center or the Special Programs Unit at (313) 877-8864.

For a complete schedule of events, please call (313) 224-1129 or visit us on the Web at www.ci.detroit.mi.us/recreation. This event is sponsored by Detroit Recreation and Senior Citizens departments and Detroit Area Agency on Aging.



Your Government. Your Neighborhood. Your Channel 10. We Focus on Detroit!

The Detroit Cable Communications Commission's Government Access Channel 10 is the official television channel for the City of Detroit. Channel 10 features informative programs that focus on the City's policies, procedures, and services, the community and residents. Channel 10 is great for summer viewing and all year-round.

What's on Government Access Channel 10?

News 10 is a weekly program that provides in-depth coverage of City government and the community. Airs every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., and on weekends at 11:30 a.m. and 11:30 p.m.

NEXT Detroit is a monthly round table discussion about the challenges, opportunities and successes of City government and the community hosted by Karen Dumas. Airs Tuesday and Thursday at 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday at 6 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Detroit: Behind the Scenes highlights the behind the scenes activities of various City departments. Air times vary.

Detroit: Face to Face is a mini-biography about the men and women who lead City departments. Air times vary.

Lights, Camera, Culture! exposes viewers to the rich cultural and entertainment activities around the city and is often followed by a feature film on the same subject. Portions of Lights, Camera, Culture are broadcasted in conjunction with the Detroit Public Library. Air times vary.

Detroiters Making a Difference features letters from Detroiters or interviews with Detroiters who work to improve the quality of life in the city. Airs the last Friday of each month.

Detroit City Council sessions air Monday - Friday at 7:30 p.m.

We welcome your suggestions. Please write to us at: **The Detroit Cable Communications Commission — Channel 10, 243 W. Congress, Suite 1000, Detroit, MI 48226, Attention: Production**

Send an e-mail to DC3@cable.ci.detroit.mi.us, Subject: **Production**

Or fax your comments to: **(313) 964-7442**

CHENE PARK



June 21	Dwele & Jill Scott
June 22	Ne-Yo presented by BET
June 23	Detroit Blues Festival
July 7	Joe, Tank, Tyrese by Provisions Entertainment
July 26	Kenny G.
August 11	KEM & Friends by Project Producers LLL

Jazz Series 2007

July 11	Najee and Howard Hewett
July 18	Jazz Fusion Featuring Roy Ayers, Jon Lucien, Lonnie Liston Smith, Wayne Henderson, Jean Carne and Ray Gaskins
July 25	Average White Band and Larry Lee
July 28	Michael Franks and Alex Bugnon
August 1	Pieces of a Dream and Walter Beasley
August 8	Maysa & Friends

Tickets are \$15 for the pavilion and \$10 for the lawn. Purchase tickets at the Chene Park Box Office Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. or at any Ticketmaster location.

Sponsored by V98.7

Classic Soul Fridays

June 29	Guy, Tone Tony Tone, and SWV
July 6	Eddie Griffin, Lavell Crawford, COCO, and more
July 13	Musiq Soulchild and Raheem Devaughn
July 20	Dramatics
July 27	Cameo, Morris Day and The Time featuring Sinbad
August 3	Erykah Badu and Lyfe Jennings (Ticket prices are \$60, \$35, & \$20)
August 10	Bobby Womack and Marvin Sease

All Seats \$55, \$35 & \$17

Sponsored by MIX 92.3 WMXD FM

BELLE ISLE JAZZ ON THE BEACH

If you need to unwind on Sunday evening, head to the **Belle Isle Beach** and enjoy **Jazz on the Beach** from 6 - 8 p.m.

August 5	Lisa Cunningham & Enchanted
August 12	Brenda Joy & Posh!
August 19	Gerard Gibbs & R'Organized (co-sponsored by Wayne County Parks)
August 26	Ed Stone



Labor Day Weekend
visitdetroit.com

"3 Days in the D" promotes the signature events taking place Labor Day weekend — Detroit Belle Isle Grand Prix, Detroit International Jazz Festival, and Chrysler Arts, Beats & Eats. "3 Days in the D" is a celebration of the end of summer in Detroit, highlighting the D's great music, art, racing, food and other fun. For more details, log onto visitdetroit.com.

2007 Events in Detroit

June 22-27

Detroit International River Days Festival

Detroit Riverfront

June 27

Target Fireworks

Detroit Riverfront

July 4 - 8

Comerica CityFest

(formerly the TasteFest)
New Center Area

July 7 - 12

NAACP National Convention

Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center

July 13 - 15

Detroit APBA Gold Cup

July 21 - 22

Arab and Chaldean Festival

Hart Plaza

Aug. 3-5

Ribs and Soul Festival

Hart Plaza

August 10-12

Caribbean International Festival

Hart Plaza

August 17 - 19

African World Festival

Hart Plaza

Aug. 22 - Sept. 3

Michigan State Fair

August 24-26

Festival of India

Hart Plaza

Aug. 31–Sept. 3

Detroit International Jazz Festival

Aug. 31 - Sept. 2

Detroit Belle Isle Grand Prix

October 14

Focus: HOPE Walk for Diversity

October 21

Detroit Free Press/Flagstar Bank Marathon

November 22

America's Thanksgiving Day Parade

December 1

Noel Night



City Events

June 21

6 a.m. - 3 p.m.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Police / Eastern District

June 22

MOVIE NIGHT FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

Police / Southwestern District

June 23

10 a.m.

COMMUNITY WALK

Police / Northwestern District
Joy Rd/Trinity

June 30

Noon - 4 p.m.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL & MINI YOUTH BASKETBALL GAME

Police / Eastern District

June 30

10 a.m.

COMMUNITY WALK

Police / Northeastern District
310 West 7 Mile (Sacred Heart Church)

July 11

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Police / Southwestern District

July 14

10 a.m.

COMMUNITY WALK

Police / Western District
Location to be determined

July 15 - 20

EXPLORER TRAFFIC SAFETY CAMP

Police / Southwestern District

July 17

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

SENIOR FRIENDSHIP DAY & HEALTH FAIR

Recreation & Senior Citizens Departments
Chene Park

July 21

9 a.m.

COMMUNITY WALK

Police / Eastern District
17220 Kelly Road
(Charity Lutheran Church)

July 21

Noon - 4 p.m.

YOUTH BIKE RODEO AND COMPETITION

Police / Eastern District

August 4

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Police / Southwestern District

August 7

5 - 10 p.m.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

(Refreshments, entertainment and much more)

Police / Eastern District
Mike's Fresh Market, 14383 Gratiot

August 17

IDENTITY THEFT SEMINAR

Police / Southwestern District

August 25

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

MAYOR'S TIME AFTER-SCHOOL/ BACK-TO-SCHOOL FAIR

Mayor's Time/Detroit Public Schools
Belle Isle

September 7

BACK TO SCHOOL RALLY

Police / Southwestern District

September 9

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN DAY

Senior Citizens
Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center
(Riverview Ballroom)

September 20

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

SENIOR APPRECIATION DAY

Senior Citizens
Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center
(Michigan Hall)

December 7

7 - 11 p.m.

SENIOR HOLIDAY GALA

Senior Citizens
Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center
(Michigan Hall)

For more information, call:

Mayor's Time	(313) 963-3660
Senior Citizens Department	(313) 224-5444
Police Department / Northeastern District, 5100 Nevada (48234)	(313) 596-1100
Police Department / Southwestern District, 4700 W. Fort (48209)	(313) 596-5300
Police Department / Northwestern District, 11450 Warwick (48228)	(313) 596-5600
Police Department / Western District, 1441 W. 7 Mile (48203)	(313) 596-1200
Police Department / Eastern District, 11187 Gratiot (48213)	(313) 596-5900
Police Department / Central District, 4747 Woodward (48201)	(313) 596-1300

Summer is a time to relax and enjoy the warm weather, a vacation and spending time with friends and family. However, summer is also a time when criminal activity increases. To avoid becoming a victim, the Detroit Police Department offers a variety of tips.

GENERAL SAFETY TIPS

Trust Your Instincts

- If a situation or place makes you feel uncomfortable or uneasy, leave.

Use Common Sense

- Let someone know where you are going and when you'll return.
- Carry only identification and small amounts of cash in your pocket instead of carrying a purse or wallet. If you must carry a purse or wallet, keep your money in a separate place.
- Keep your wallet and purse close to you.
- Don't resist if someone wants your belongings, especially if the person has a weapon.
- Avoid dark streets or areas that are not well traveled.
- Realize "it can happen to you."

If You Are Walking

- Walk with someone else.
- Wear shoes or clothing that allow you to move quickly.
- If you think someone is following you, switch direction or cross the street.
- Don't let your mind wander. Stay focused.
- Walk with confidence and purpose.
- Carry pepper spray, mace or a whistle.
- Plan your route. Avoid dark areas and streets that offer hiding places.
- When passing abandoned houses, avoid doorways, bushes, and alleys.
- Don't walk close to the curb.
- If you are in trouble, attract help any way you can. Scream or yell "help" or "fire."
- Know where safe places are, such as stores, gas stations and restaurants.
- Have your key ready before you reach your home.

If You Are Driving

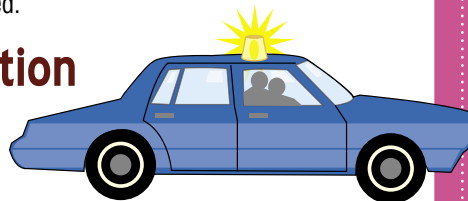
- Have your key ready before you reach your car.
- Do a visual check of the street or area before walking to or from your vehicle.
- Do not stop for strangers on the street.
- Lock your car doors and keep your windows up.
- Keep car in gear at intersections.
- Stay alert to activity near you while stopped at intersections.
- Leave room to maneuver between the car ahead of you when stopped at intersections.
- Don't fall for tricks like someone pointing as if you have a car problem to get you to pull over, or a vehicle bumps your car and when you get out to check, your car is stolen or you are robbed or assaulted.
- Drive to a police or fire station if being followed.
- Use a cell phone to call 911 in case of trouble.

Ways to Protect Your Car

- Always lock all doors and roll up the windows.
- Park in heavily traveled areas.
- Engrave an identifying number in a hidden place on the car and on any valuable components to help in identifying recovered property.
- Don't leave valuables in sight.
- Have an alarm or fuel shut-off switch installed.

If You're Going on Vacation

- Stop all mail and newspapers deliveries.
- Don't discuss your absence in public.
- Have clock timers on lights and radios.
- Have your lawn mowed and move valuables away from windows.
- Ask a neighbor to inspect your property periodically.
- Leave a key with your neighbor and not in a hiding place.
- Check and double-check all windows, doors, basement windows and garage doors before leaving.



If you are a victim of crime, get a description of the individual(s) including height, weight, approximate age, hair/eye color, clothes and race.

Note the make and model of any suspicious vehicle(s). Try to remember the license plate number.

Report the crime immediately to the police.

WANT TO REDUCE CRIME?

Organize a Block Club or Citizens Radio Patrol

There are hundreds of successful block clubs and citizens radio patrols in communities across the city that have been real deterrents to crime and help to foster closer relationships with local police districts.

If you would like to establish a block club or citizens radio patrol, the Mayor's Office Neighborhood City Halls will help you get started and connect you with other successful groups to learn what works for them.

For more information, contact your local Neighborhood City Hall.

CENTRAL DISTRICT

106 Coleman A. Young
Municipal Center
2 Woodward Avenue, 48226
(313) 224-2989

NORTHWEST DISTRICT

19180 Grand River, 48223
(313) 935-5322

NORTHEAST DISTRICT

2328 East 7 Mile, Suite #2,
48234
(313) 628-2160

WEST DISTRICT

11000 W. McNichols, Suite 103
48221
(313) 628-2190

18100 Meyers, 48221
(as of September 1)

EAST DISTRICT

7737 Kercheval, 48214
(313) 628-2170

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

7744 W. Vernor, 48209
(313) 628-2180

Fireworks are Dangerous, Illegal for Youth

The Detroit Fire Department reminds parents that it is illegal for children and teens under 18 to possess fireworks in Detroit.

Fire officials say that fireworks can be very dangerous in the hands of a child and that the number of reported fireworks-related burns typically increases during the summer months because safety precautions are not followed. Children have suffered second- and third-degree burns and the loss of fingers and even entire hands because of fireworks accidents in recent years.

Residents are encouraged not to use fireworks. However, if fireworks are used, Fire Department officials stress that only legal fireworks should be used and parental supervision is a must. Legal fireworks include sparklers, caps, smoke bombs and toy "snakes" not containing mercury. Fireworks that leave the ground are considered illegal.

Here are some safety precautions for individuals using legal fireworks:

- Make certain an adult is present whenever fireworks are used.
- Always read and follow instructions on fireworks packaging.

- Don't give any type of firecracker or sparkler to young children.
- Ignite fireworks outside and away from the house, garage or any area with dry brush or rubbish.
- Don't ignite fireworks inside any container.
- Never experiment with fireworks.
- Light fireworks one at a time.
- Always keep a safe distance.
- Never try to re-light fireworks that malfunction.
- Store unused fireworks in a cool, dry place.

The City's fireworks ordinance emphasizes the restrictions involving the possession and sale of fireworks. The ordinance prohibits the sale of any type of fireworks to anyone under 18 years of age and mandates that anyone wishing to sell legal fireworks must first obtain a license from the City.

For more information, or for a copy of the amended ordinance, please contact the Detroit Fire Department, Public Instruction Section at (313) 596-2968.

HELP SAVE A LIFE

What would you do if someone began to choke or passed out? Would you be able to help?

Learn life-saving skills by taking a CPR class with the help of the Detroit Fire Department.

American Heart Association CPR courses are offered by the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) training section from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The various CPR courses offered are:

Health Care Providers

Adult/Child and Infant

**Adult/Child/Infant with AED
(Automated External Defibrillator)**

Adult/Child/Infant/First Aid with AED

First Aid

Friends and Family CPR

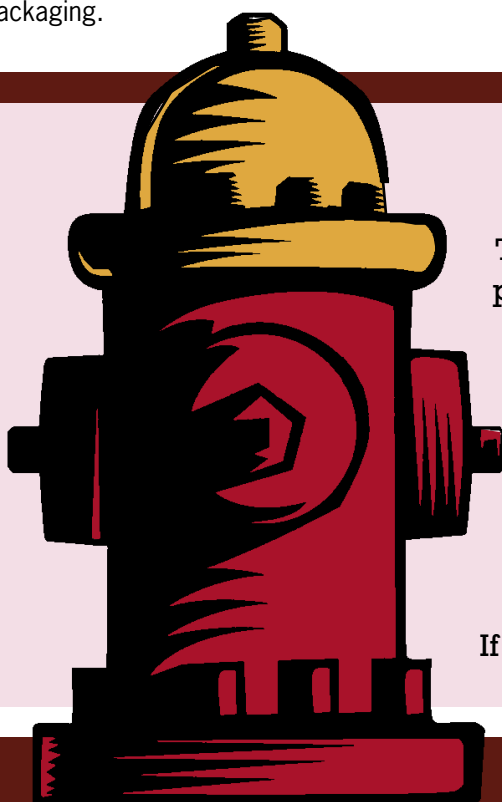
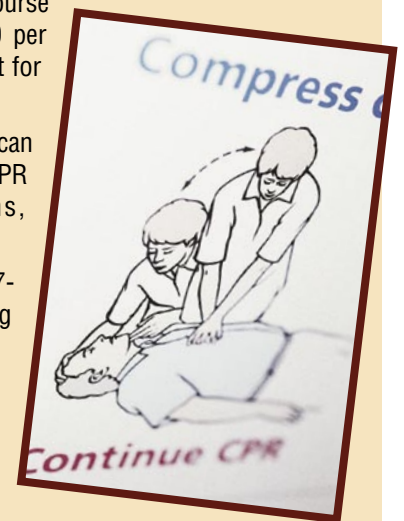
Youth /Young Adult CPR

The classes are open to the public and held at 900 Merrill Plaisance near Palmer Park on Detroit's northwest side. EMS can provide the instruction at other locations depending on the number of participants and the space available.

The cost of a course for adults is \$30 per person. The cost for students is \$2.

Individuals also can request general CPR demonstrations, which are free.

Call (313) 237-3113 for a training schedule.



ILLEGAL FIRE HYDRANT USE

The fire hydrant is the biggest safeguard you have should fire ever strike your home. The problem is if someone turns it on for some other reason than fighting a fire it's not ready to do what it's supposed to. You could be in danger.

It is illegal for anyone other than a Detroit firefighter to turn on a fire hydrant. Turning on a fire hydrant is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$500 or up to 90 days in jail.

If you see anyone other than a Detroit firefighter or other official City worker turning a hydrant on, or if you just see a hydrant on, please call the Water and Sewerage Department at (313) 267-7401.

If you want to cool off, the Recreation Department has a number of pools. (See page 5.)



Keep It Clean, Detroit

Yard Waste Program

From May 1 until early December (weather permitting) residents can place their yard waste out every week. Residents are required to put yard waste in biodegradable paper bags and set it out for collection with their Courville container on the assigned weekly trash collection day. Residents can also use their own garbage can, but the can must be no larger than 32 gallons.

The City reminds residents not to place yard waste in plastic bags. Yard waste placed in plastic bags is not permitted by state law and will not be collected.

The drop-off sites listed below will accept properly contained and prepared yard waste also.

Yard Waste Reminders

- Yard waste is leaves, grass clippings, and twigs less than two inches thick. Put twigs into bundles no longer than four feet. **(Do not tie).**
- Place yard waste at the curb by 7 a.m. of the same day as your scheduled weekly trash collection, and it will be collected by a separate truck, not the truck that collects your trash.
- Yard waste **MUST** be in biodegradable paper bags or a personal plastic or metal garbage can (not to exceed 32 gallons).
- Plastic bags and cardboard boxes will **not be** collected.



DPW Quarterly Bulk Collection Service

Residents also have four times a year to place bulk items at the curb. Residents can put out up to one cubic yard of bulk, which will be collected on scheduled days. A cubic yard is about the size of a couch, stove or refrigerator. Examples of bulk items are furniture, mattresses, appliances, carpeting, tires (4 or less) and brush. The one cubic yard of bulk cannot weigh more than 1,000 pounds. Bulk items exceeding these limits will not be collected, and the homeowner and/or tenant will be subject to a fine of up to \$10,000. Residents can find out their specific bulk collection days by calling the 311 Call Center at 311 or (313) 224-INFO (4636), or visiting the City's Web site.



DO's & DON'Ts of Bulk Collection

- DO NOT put refuse out on your bulk collection day.
- DO NOT put any items in cardboard boxes. Cardboard boxes must be flattened for collection.
- DO NOT put remodeling or construction debris out for bulk pickup.
- DO put bulk items at your curbside by 7 a.m. on your collection date, but no earlier than 6 p.m. on the day before your collection
- DO follow all bulk item guidelines, or you could face fines up to \$10,000.
- Limit 1 cubic yard or 1,000 pounds per day, per household with proper identification
- NO construction, or remodeling debris (including shingles), household or commercial garbage, or tree stumps

Roll-off containers are available through Neighborhood City Halls for special community cleanups.

Residential Street Sweeping (Now through mid-November)

Every residential street will be swept at least once during this period. Please refer to the street sweeping schedule on the City of Detroit's Web site at www.ci.detroit.mi.us/dpw/default.htm.

No Parking signs will be placed on streets at least two days in advance when your street is scheduled for sweeping.



Residential Resurfacing (Now through mid-November)

Streets scheduled for resurfacing in fiscal year 2007-08 may be viewed on the City of Detroit Web site at www.ci.detroit.mi.us/dpw/pdfs/2007_08_Resurfacing.pdf.

No Parking signs will be placed on streets at least two days in advance.

For additional information on any DPW services, please contact the 311 Call Center at **(313) 224-4636** or visit www.ci.detroit.mi.us.

Bulk Drop-Off Locations and Summer Hours (April through October)

location	days	hours
DAVISON 8221 West Davison	Tues. thru Sat.	8:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
5840 ANTHON bet. Cavalry & Campbell	Tues. thru Sat.	8:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
5580 CONCORD at E. Grand Blvd.	Tues. thru Sat.	8:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
STATE FAIR YARD 19715 John R.	Tues. thru Sat.	8:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
SOUTHFIELD YARD 12255 Southfield Service Dr.	Mon. thru Sat.	8:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
WASTE MANAGEMENT TRANSFER STATION 1550 Harper, enter on Ferry	Mon. thru Sat.	8:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.

BRIEFLY SPEAKING

Deadline for City of Detroit Arts Mini-Grant Applications July 2

Mini-grant applications for arts programs are now available for Wayne County nonprofit organizations. The application deadline is Monday, July 2, for projects beginning October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

Mini-grants fund up to \$4,000 for locally developed, high-quality art projects that provide special opportunities to address local arts needs and increase public access to the arts. Mini-grants support a broad range of artistic expression from all cultures through projects that preserve, produce or present traditional or contemporary arts.

For more information, call (313) 224-1121 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Home Heating Credit Ends Sept. 30

If you qualify, Detroit residents have until Sept. 30 to file for the Home Heating Credit, designed to assist low-income families in Michigan with the cost of heating their homes.

Detroit residents can file their home heating credit at any Neighborhood City Hall location by the Sept. 30 deadline.

ReStore Detroit! Districts Work to Improve Neighborhoods

The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Commercial Revitalization (ONCR) works to rebuild and revitalize neighborhood commercial strips throughout Detroit. Through ReStore Detroit!, the flagship program, the ONCR ensures that dollars for business reach Detroit neighborhoods. It provides technical assistance, training and funding to designated community-based organizations. Working with community volunteers, this approach creates a climate for small business to grow and property values to rise, generating momentum for more involvement and investment in the competitively selected commercial districts. Eight community organizations comprise the ReStore Detroit! districts. Here are some of the activities sponsored by those districts.

June 22

University District Community Association Neighborhood Garage Sale

Seven Mile to Six Mile, Livernois to the Detroit Golf Club

University Commons Business District — University Commons Organization at University of Detroit-Mercy

June 22-23

Jazzin' On Jefferson (The eastside's biggest street festival)

For more information, visit www.jazzinon-jefferson.com or call (313) 331-7939
East Jefferson Business District — Jefferson East Business Association (JEBA)

June 23 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Rosedale Garage Sale

Rosedale Park from Artesian, west to Evergreen

Grand River Avenue Business District — Grandmont/Rosedale Development Corporation (GRDC)

June 24 from 1 - 5 p.m.

Grandmont Home Tour

Begins at Bushnell Congregational Church, 15000 Southfield Road
Cost \$8 at the door and \$7 (before June 17)

For more information, call (313) 659-2281 or (313) 493-1820

Grand River Avenue Business District — Grandmont/Rosedale Development Corporation (GRDC)

June 29

Cleaning vacant lot and painting designs/ murals on vacant buildings

Gratiot at McDougall (across from St. Vincent DePaul)

For more information, call (313) 207-1531 or (313) 895-6699



Students can Save Money on DDOT Fares

The Detroit Department of Transportation offers discount fares that allow students to ride the bus for 75 cents and purchase transfers for 25 cents. Students may purchase a DDOT Student ID card for \$2 at the DDOT Administration Building, 1301 E. Warren. The hours are:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:15 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday from 8:15 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Students can also purchase the student card at any Neighborhood City Hall location and must present an official school document to purchase the student ID card. Student rates are good Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Join DDOT at The Annual Mayor's Time Back-to-School Rally on August 25 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Belle Isle. Students can purchase the student ID card and semester fare cards at the rally.

In addition, Semester Fare Cards are also available for \$136.50. The semester cards allow students to ride DDOT buses for the entire semester at no additional charge.

For information on schedules, fares, and events, contact DDOT Customer Service at **(313) 933-1300** or visit DDOT online at www.RideDetroitTransit.com

Southeast Gratiot Avenue Business District — Gratiot McDougall United CDC

July 10

DEI and JEBA Speaker Series

Series highlights successful small business owners in Detroit

For more information, call Robin Duncan at (313) 331-7939, ext. 301.

East Jefferson Business District — Jefferson East Business Association (JEBA)

July 12 – October 25 on Thursdays from 4 - 8 p.m.

Northwest Detroit Farmer's Market

Bushnell Congregational Church, 15000 Southfield Road

Call (313) 835-8190, ext. 103

Grand River Avenue Business District — Grandmont/Rosedale Development Corporation (GRDC)

July 21 from noon - 10 p.m.

Jazz on the Ave.

Livernois from Seven Mile to Eight Mile

For more information, call (313) 433-3549

University Commons Business District — University Commons Organization at University of Detroit-Mercy

August 25 from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Community Appreciation Day

Corrigan Park (E. Warren and Alter Road)
For more information, call (313) 640-1100, ext. 18

East Warren Business United — U-SNAP-BAC, Inc.

September 15 at 10 a.m.

TOUR de TROIT (6th Annual Bicycle Tour)

Roosevelt Park (Michigan Avenue and 14th Street)

Cost is \$25 for adults and \$15 for students. For more information, call (313) 965-5853.

Corktown's Michigan Ave. Business District

October 5-6

Grand Opening — Your First Affair at La Plaza

For more information, call (313) 967-9898
Mexicantown Business District — Mexicantown-Hubbard Communities (MHC)

November 1-2

Dia de Muertos Walking Tour

Cultural event includes a free tour in the Mexicantown district, Mexican crafts, imports and jewelry.

For more information, call (313) 967-9898.
International Welcome Center & Mercado, 2835 Bagley